

THE CITY OF PORTSMOUTH—NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS.

NEWS RELATED IN A PARAGRAPH.

The Latest Happenings of a Personal and General Nature.

IN AND AROUND PORTSMOUTH

Gathered on the Streets, at the Hotels, in Counting Rooms and Elsewhere, and Put in Abbreviated Form for the Edition of Readers of the Virginian-Pilot—The Movements of People—Snap Shots at Events in Which the Public is Interested.

A negro stole a bale of hay from Williams' store, corner of Seaboard and Columbia streets, Wednesday, and succeeded in getting off with it.

Greenery for the Christmas decorations in Trinity church has been received from Baltimore. The work of decorating the church was begun yesterday and the dressing will be quite elaborate.

The Methodist churches of this city have arranged to hold union watch-night services in Central church. The services will begin at 10 o'clock and will be conducted by the Rev. Dr. J. C. C. Newton, pastor of Owens Memorial church.

Attention is called to advertisement of Carroll M. Deans in today's issue. The rain yesterday interfered with business. It kept a number of ladies in the house.

One dealer in firecrackers will lose heavily by Mayor Baird's order not letting them be fired in the city. He has about \$200 worth of them on hand and cannot dispose of them. They were purchased before the order was given for them not to be fired.

A coop of turkeys got loose near the market yesterday morning. They flew in every direction.

Both the Hastings and County Courts will adjourn for the term today. This is Judge Watts' last term unless occasion should arise for him to hold a special session before the end of the year.

Another attempt will be made tonight to have a meeting of the School Board.

Mr. John Fugli, a bartender for Mr. C. T. Dunham, is critically ill at his father's residence, on High street, near Dinwiddie.

The city is filled with smoke from the burning woods, both nights and morning. The smell from it is very offensive.

The picture of the new ferry house in A. J. Phillips' window is attracting considerable attention. It is generally admired.

There are a number of broken pavements around the city, which makes it dangerous for people to walk after nightfall.

Attention is called to advertisement of W. H. Dashiell in this issue.

Mr. H. A. Long tells you that he is selling the best footwear for very little money.

Mr. Frank Ridley arrived home yesterday from the University of Virginia for the holidays. He is studying medicine.

The negro George Smith, alias "Alligator," who was arrested Wednesday night on a charge of larceny committed a year ago, has been committed for ten days.

The Virginian-Pilot representative was positively assured yesterday that the employees of the yard would be paid at noon Saturday.

A South Portsmouth gentleman and a Philadelphia lady, who is visiting in the city, will be married before Christmas.

A gentleman, in getting off a street car corner of Washington and County streets last night, got his heel caught in the step and fell face foremost in the mud. He received a cut in the knee and had, besides, muddled himself from head to foot.

A gentleman would like to rent a front room, with use of bath. See advertisement in today's issue.

See what Adams & Etheredge have to say.

Miss Bettie Williams, of Philadelphia, who has been visiting in the city, returned home last night.

The Seaboard Air Line carried a train load of Christmas goods yesterday along the line. This is getting to be quite a business with the road.

Attention is called to ad. of H. E. King. He will sell sugar for 15 cents and eggs 25 cents a dozen. See ad.

AN UNPICKED ASSAULT

Yesterday afternoon a marine named Varier, who was off on liberty, started for the yard. When near the corner of Crawford and Columbia streets he was met by three other marines, named Lynch, Barrett and Homer, who without any provocation assaulted him, and when he attempted to defend himself one of the men struck him on the head with a brick, making an ugly cut. Mr. Frank Cummings, a Fourth ward magistrate, blew his whistle and Officer Shannon answered, but before he arrived two of the men had made their escape. Varier went before Mayor Baird and swore out a warrant for the arrest of all three men. Officers Shannon, Long and Substitute Officer Hall carried the warrant to the commandant, who countersigned it, and the men were turned over to the officers, who carried them to jail and locked them up for examination this morning.

NAVAL ORDERS.

The following naval orders have been issued:

Lieutenant Commander W. M. Irwin is granted sick leave for three months. Assistant Surgeon E. E. Leichter, detached from the Constellation and ordered to the Monongahela.

Rear Admiral J. J. Lead is commissioned as rear admiral. Second Lieutenant Henry A. Scott, William D. A. Jenkins, Howard H. Kipp, Hilary A. Herbert, Fred A. Ramsey and John W. McCluskey are appointed to the marine corps.

FUNERAL OF MRS. JARVIS.

The funeral of Mrs. Anna E. Jarvis took place yesterday afternoon from the Court Street Baptist church. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. A. E. Owen, assisted by Dr. Garrett and Rev. E. H. Rawlings. After the services the remains were taken to Oak Grove cemetery for interment. The following gentlemen acted as pallbearers: J. W. Wood, D. A. Williams, Joseph Knapp, T. J. Barlow, J. C. New and R. A. Hutchins.

SEABOARD AIR LINE

Is Establishing a "Dustless Path Through the South."

"A dustless path through the South" is what the Seaboard Air Line Railway Company aims to achieve by the time the complete ballasting of the track from Richmond to Tampa is completed. The work is among the greatest ever attempted in the way of ballasting a railway track. It is the intention of the company to put eighteen inches of stone ballast under the track the entire distance from Richmond, the northern terminus of the road, to Tampa, the terminus on the Gulf of Mexico. An opportunity is afforded the fender for figures to calculate the number of cubic feet of stone required for the great work, and the weight thereof. The Seaboard has already begun the work. The road owns immense quarries at Graystone, N. C., and what is said to be the largest stone-crusher in the world is in operation preparing the stone for use. Naturally, the work will require considerable time. It is understood that the new section from Richmond to Ridgeway, N. C.—120 miles—and from Cheraw to Columbia, S. C.—ninety odd miles—will be the first to be put on a stone base.

It is not officially announced yet, but it is understood that the Seaboard will put on a train from New York to St. Augustine about the middle of January that will be something of a revelation to Southern railroads. The train will be as nearly as possible a reproduction of the celebrated Kniekerbocker Special of the Big Four, from St. Louis to New York. It will be a solid Pullman train, vestibuled, of course, with dining, library and observation cars. The time will be made the lowest possible. The Seaboard claims to have the shortest route from Washington to Tampa by fifty-five miles, and the management will endeavor to make the difference in schedule time, as compared with other roads to the South, as great as the difference in distance.

THE BUFFALO IN PORT.

Will Carry Seamen to Join the Asiatic Fleet.

The army transport Buffalo entered the capes yesterday morning and came to anchor off Cape Henry on account of the fog which overhung the lower bay and Hampton Roads.

The Buffalo is here for the purpose of taking on board a lot of seamen for the fleet in Asiatic waters, and will await in Hampton Roads while the men are assembled from the various recruiting stations.

A party was sent down from the recruiting ship Franklin last evening, and it was expected that 1,000 men would arrive on the morning steamer from the North.

It is probable that the Buffalo will call about Sunday.

EARLY MORNING FIRE.

Yesterday morning at 3:50 o'clock fire was discovered in the kitchen of Mrs. Arthur Wilson's house, corner of Middle and North streets. A phone message was sent to the central office, asking them to inform the department about the fire. The Chambers Company was notified. The hose cart went down and put the fire out, as was supposed, but near 5 o'clock it broke out again. This time an alarm was turned in and the engine went down and extinguished the flames.

The fire was between the ceiling and the roof, which made it burn very slowly. The damage will not amount to more than \$25.

GREAT ATTRACTIONS NEXT WEEK.

On Monday night the Schiller Stock Company will open a two weeks' engagement at the Lyceum Theatre. This company is said to be a very strong one and produces quite a number of plays. Miss Edna Fontainebleau is the leading lady. She has quite a reputation. Wherever she has appeared she has won the plaudits of those who see her. The balance of the company is strong and the theatre-goers of this city may expect some good attractions. On Monday night the sterling comedy drama, "Taken From Life," will be presented. This company carries its own scenery and makes a hit wherever it goes. See ad.

HEN HOUSES ROBBED.

A few nights ago some one visited the premises of Justice C. C. Matthews, in the county, and carried off a number of fine fowl. Two nights later they returned and took the balance. It is in number, from out of a tree in which they were roosting. Mr. Matthews says they managed to do it without the chickens making any noise. They also visited Mr. Edmund's place, in Greens Place, and carried off his chickens. Now that Christmas is near at hand it would be well for those who have fowl to see that they are well protected.

TRANSFERS OF COUNTY REALTY.

John J. Snyder and wife to Robert F. Baldwin, two lots in Norfolk county; \$275.

J. C. McKennie et al. to J. Saunders Taylor, lot in Norfolk county; \$50.

The Investment Company of Norfolk to John J. Snyder, two lots in Norfolk county; \$320.

W. T. Sykes et ux. to Thomas H. Wright, two lots in Norfolk county; \$1,300.

Lambert's Point Water Front Company to E. D. Black, lot on Thirty-seventh street.

E. D. Black to L. G. Black, lot in Norfolk county.

DONATIONS FOR THE POOL.

The ladies of the charity and help department of the Epworth League of Monumental church will receive Christmas donations for the poor tonight from 7:30 to 9 o'clock in the church parlors.

Any articles of clothing, provisions, toys or money will be thankfully received.

At this season of the year, when we are surrounded with plenty, let us remember that a slight sacrifice on our part may result in making happy some home where want and suffering exist.

COMING MARRIAGE.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Woodard have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Mary Lucy, to Captain J. H. Pruden, a conductor on the S. A. L. The ceremony will take place on Wednesday, December 26th, at 5 p. m., at the residence of the bride's parents, No. 207 Washington street.

Home Seekers, Take Notice.

We have a few bargains to offer between now and Xmas in Park View. Call early and secure one. THE SEABOARD REAL ESTATE CO., Rooms 201-203, 214 High street.

DEATH OF L. D. MCCLURE.

After an illness of about three weeks Mr. Lucien Dickinson McClure died about 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon at St. Vincent's Hospital.

Mr. McClure was taken with what developed into an attack of appendicitis and an operation was decided upon as the only means of saving his life. He was operated upon at St. Vincent's Hospital, but such was the patient's weakened condition that he did not rally from the ordeal.

Mr. McClure was a native of Crittenden, Ky., where he was born in 1870. He finished his education at the Central University, Kentucky, and for a number of years taught school. He secured a position by civil service appointment in the navy yard here and had been living here since 1894. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity, and since 1897 had been a deacon in the First Presbyterian church.

The body was brought to this city last evening and remained at the residence of Mrs. Moore, No. 41 Court street. This morning the remains will be forwarded by the father of the deceased, who has been here during the latter part of the illness.

The funeral services will be held upon the arrival of the body in Crittenden.

The remains will be taken this morning from 41 Court street to the C. & O. depot, where they will be shipped to Crittenden, Ky., for interment. They will be accompanied by his father, the following gentlemen will act as pallbearers and escort them to the train: J. A. Carier, F. D. Gill, E. S. Burgess, James A. March, J. M. Cratty and J. H. Winslow.

THE COUNTY COURT.

In the County Court yesterday C. E. Pleasant was authorized to solemnize the rite of matrimony in Norfolk county.

Mrs. Eveline Hewitt, widow of the late Benjamin Hewitt, qualified upon his estate as executrix in bond of \$500. No security was required. The appraisers appointed were Geo. Davis, John J. Morse, Emmerson Simmons, LeRoy Wilson and Jos. Denby.

A bill of exceptions was filed in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Codd & Brady and Williams, and judgment was suspended until January 15th. The case involves the revoking of the defendants' liquor licenses at Pinners' Point.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

John C. Klemmer yesterday sold the following property at auction:

Two lots, with double tenement, south side of Lincoln, near Third street; James A. Mulvey, \$900.

Lot 25x101 feet, with improvements, south side Lincoln, near Third street; James A. Mulvey, \$750.

House and lot, south side Lincoln, near Third street; W. C. Kee, \$1,050.

House and lot, north side Queen street, between Edinburg and Green streets; D. W. Todd, \$300.

Two and a half acres of land at Deep Creek; J. M. Johnson, \$50.

AN ENTERPRISE THAT IS NEEDED.

Mr. L. H. Pearson tells you by advertisement elsewhere that he has opened a milk depot, where pure fresh milk, home-made butter, buttermilk and pure cream can be secured from 5 a. m. to 10 p. m. daily. He says that those who use milk or cream in large quantities need not send from home for it, as he keeps large quantities on hand at all times. This is what has been needed for some time in this city and the public will no doubt appreciate the same by patronizing him liberally. For further particulars see ad.

"THE DEFAULTER."

"The Defaulter," one of the prettiest of all the company's repertoire, was presented last night. The audience was as large as they have been on each occasion when they have appeared here.

Tonight "Monte Cristo" will be presented in all its splendor.

A CHILD'S FOOT AMPUTATED.

Dr. R. L. McMurrin yesterday amputated the right foot of Bernard Cooper, a 13-year-old boy, who had his foot mangled in a printing press at Foster & Hurst's printing office, on Crawford street, last week. The operation was performed at the boy's home, in Scottsville.

SHOT THROUGH THE HAND.

Yesterday afternoon a colored cook at Sawyer's restaurant, in the market, was fooling with a pistol when a cartridge exploded, the ball passing through the palm of his left hand, making an ugly wound. He was attended by Dr. F. S. Hope, who dressed the wound.

GO TO

W. H. Dashiell's on MIDDLE STREET, near County and get an OLD SMITHFIELD HAM for Sunday or Christmas. Also Sweet Cider. 1t

New Enterprise.

MILK, BUTTER AND CREAM I HAVE OPENED A DEPOT for pure Acreated Milk, Fresh Home-made Butter and Pure Cream and Butter Milk, either wholesale or retail in any quantities. Milk can be had from 5 A. M. to 10 P. M. at my store, corner of Bart and Green streets. L. H. PEARSON. de21-lmo

Haverly's Lyceum Theatre

Two Weeks, Commencing Dec. 24 Monday.

MATINEES CHRISTMAS, NEW YEARS AND SATURDAYS.

SCHILLER

STOCK COMPANY

Supporting the Accomplished Young Artists.

MISS ELLA FONTAINEBLEAU,

In Scenic Productions of Great New York Successes.

MONDAY NIGHT THE STERLING

COMEDY-DRAMA,

"TAKEN FROM LIFE"

Entertaining Specialties between acts at every performance.

Evening 15, 21, 35, 50c. Matinee 15, 25c. de21-3t.

Quantity & Quality Combined

In Weaver's Syrup White Pine and Tar; the largest bottle in the city for 25c. Take no other. Ask for

WEAVER'S

COR. GREEN AND QUEEN STS. Old Phone 275. Portsmouth, Va.

GO TO THE WAINWRIGHT CIGAR & NEWS CO., 27 High street and leave your orders for cigars by the measure, and fancy barrel stock for Christmas Presents. 1t

YOU CAN GET THE BEST OF Candles, Nuts, Figs, etc., at ADAMS & ETHEREDGE, cor. North and Dinwiddie streets. cheap. de21-2t

I DESIRE TO RENT FRONT ROOM, furnished, with privilege of bath, convenient to ferry. Address R., this office. de21-3t

GREAT BARGAINS AT THE PORTSMOUTH JEWELRY CO. SALE.

Now on. Come and price our goods. Cheapest bargains in Jewelry and Watches in the state. Must be sold to rebuild. Store open from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. PORTSMOUTH JEWELRY COMPANY, 265 Crawford Street.

Home Dressed Poultry, Cranberries, Mince Meat, Malaga Grapes, Nuts, Raisins, Oranges, Apples, Bananas and Cocoanuts

Can be found for your Christmas dinner at

CARROLL D. DEANS, 129 COURT STREET. de14-lmo.

CHRISTMAS GOODS

Apples, Oranges, Lemons, Figs, Raisins, Grapes, and all Kinds Nuts, Preserved Ginger and Sweet Cider.

T. J. BARLOW & BRO 810-812 Crawford St.

THE BRANDT CO. EVERYTHING FOR MEN—TOP TO TOE 213 and 215 HIGH ST.

A RARE CHANGE Men's Nobdy Suits

For three days only—Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday—we give you your choice of all our \$2.75, \$3 and \$10 Men's Suits. In Fancy Worsteds, Cassimeres and Cheviots, in 5 or 4-button sacks—special

\$2.75.

Men's Stylish Trousers

Large line of Men's Fine Worsteds Trousers, in numerous pretty patterns, dark and medium stripes, all sizes—

\$2.75.

THE BRANDT CO. 213 and 215 HIGH ST.

MORRIS'S

SEMI-ANNUAL CLEARING SALE!

Our Stock is entirely too large. We are going to move it quickly.

Realizing that Low Price is the Best Salesman,

we will "swallow our medicine" gracefully and sacrifice our entire stock of

Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing

at such Low Prices that will almost force you to buy whether you want to or not. Come now while the sizes are complete.

Men's \$15.00 Suits and Overcoats for \$12.75 Men's \$6.00 Pants for \$4.25 Men's \$11.50 Suits and Overcoats for \$11.00 Men's \$3.00 Pants for \$2.50 Men's \$10.00 Suits and Overcoats for \$8.75 Men's \$1.00 Pants for \$3.50 Men's \$2.00 Suits and Overcoats for \$6.75 Men's \$3.00 Pants for \$2.50

Boys' \$6.00 Overcoats for \$5.00 Boys' \$5.00 Suits for \$3.25 Boys' \$5.00 Overcoats for \$4.25 Boys' \$3.00 Suits for \$2.50 Boys' \$4.00 Overcoats for \$3.25 Boys' \$3.00 Suits for \$2.50

REMEMBER THE PLACE. YOUR MONEY BACK IF YOU WANT IT

JOHN A. MORRIS,

Open Evenings 'Til 9 O'clock. 303 High St., Portsmouth

Men's Fall Clothing

The talk to-day is in regard to your Winter Suit. You expect to get one, don't you?

You expect to get it where you can, according to your judgment, save the most money, taking quality, style, fit, etc., into consideration.

Portsmouth customers expect to do here better than elsewhere. They Do.

\$9.75 MEN'S ALL WOOL STRIPED SUITS.

Satin Piping, Extra Good Quality Lining, Perfect Tailoring, at \$9.75

Men's all wool Fall Suits, in a good assortment of patterns, in gray, brown and black, \$9.75

Men's Blue Serge Suits, perfect in style, heavy weight, \$9.75

This store is watched by everybody—customers for what we sell, merchants for what we undersell.

LEVY & JACOBS,

Portsmouth's Reliable Gents' Outfitters. Corner High and Crawford Sts.

Mechanical Toys, Air Rifles, Flobert Rifles, Shot Guns, Bicycles, Velocipedes, Tricycles.

For Christmas, GET MY PRICES—THEY WILL PLEASE YOU.

W. N. WHITE, Portsmouth, Va. 108 HIGH STREET.

X-Mas Perfumes

We have them in great variety and inexpensive, too. Rogers & Gallet's Violets, Palmer's Garland of Violets, Woodworth's Violets of Sicily, Garwood's Violets and Carnation Pink Extracts, all put up in beautiful embossed cases.

Shaving Sets—razor, mug and brush—only \$2.50. Toilet Sets—comb, brush and mirror—only \$1.00. Toilet Sets—comb, brush, mirror and manicure—only \$2.00.

Standard brands of best cigars, in boxes of 25, which any smoker would be delighted to receive.

JEROME P. CARR, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL CUT RATE DRUGGIST. Take a look at our window display.

Don't Shiver

But call at M. M. CROCKIN's and select your Stoves and Heaters. We have the largest assortment in the city of Heaters, Cast Iron and Steel Ranges. We have the stove that will bake biscuits in three minutes. A full line of Furniture, Carpets, Mattings, Etc. Cash or Installment.

M. M. CROCKIN, 608-9-10-11 CRAWFORD STREET. oc28-3m.

ATTENTION, CASH BUYERS.

Your attention is called to our large and attractive line Dress Goods and Dress Trimmings, Black Velvets and Colored Velvets. READY-MADE SKIRTS VERY CHEAP. SILK SHIRT WAISTS AND WORSTED SHIRT WAISTS AT LESS THAN MANUFACTURERS' PRICES.

Our display of FUR FURS we think excel all competitors. A FEW LEFT OF THOSE SPECIAL 11-4 BLANKETS AT \$2.50 PER PAIR. CHRISTMAS TOYS AND DOLLS—A GREAT DISPLAY AT ATTRACTIVE PRICES.

A. J. PHILLIPS, Elks' Hall, Portsmouth, Va.

DRESSED DOLLS & DRESSED DOLLS

A Full line at a very low price. Reduction in price of Dolls to close out stock. Now is your chance to save money.

EMMETT DEANS, 320 High Street. TERMS CASH.

Removal Sale—Extra value in Stoves, Rugs, Mattings, Furniture, Carpets, Oil Cloth, &c., for CASH OR EASY PAYMENTS.

C. H. COLES, Cor. Middle and County Sts., City.